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**Director**

NFAC# 7292

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MEMORANDUM FOR: All Office Directors  
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SUBJECT : Senior Review Panel Projects

I have asked the Senior Review Panel to undertake the projects listed below, some in the near term and some to be addressed later. In addition, from time to time, I plan to task the SRP with other projects of importance to NFAC. These may involve assessments of form, or substance, or both; the goal of each will be to enhance NFAC's performance. I ask that you give full cooperation and support to the SRP in these efforts.

Near-Term Projects

° Assess NFAC's performance on the energy/oil issue; test alternative hypotheses.

° Review utility, rationale of first phase, second phase, etc., of present photo exploitation process, from the point of view of NFAC analyst needs.

° Provide in-depth prospective assessment of the scope, coverage of NFAC's research program.

° Either as part of paragraph 3, or as a separate effort, review office research priorities in comparison with available resources, especially manpower restraints.

Later

° Assess the effectiveness of the reorganization as reflected in the NFAC product. (This should be done downstream a ways.)

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° Review the NID--quality, effectiveness, accuracy, relationship to other pubs, etc.

° External analysis (particularly political and economic).

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